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**NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD
OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

In the Matter of the Suspension
or Revocation of the License of

LEONARD VERNON, D.C.

To Practice Chiropractic
in the State of New Jersey

Administrative Action

CONSENT ORDER

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners by way of Complaint filed by Peter N. Perretti, Attorney General of New Jersey, by James F. Lafargue, Deputy Attorney General, with offices located at 1100 Raymond Boulevard, Newark, New Jersey. The Complaint filed with the Board of Medical Examiners alleged that Respondent submitted, on two occasions, false information about his medical education and training to the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates on applications to take an examination leading to medical licensure. Specifically, it was alleged that respondent represented that he had attended CETEC Medical School in the Dominican Republic for several years when he had not, including years before that school had even begun accepting medical students. The complaint further alleged that respondent misrepresented a student observation class at Jersey City Medical

Center by describing it as a clinical clerkship.

By his signature on this Consent Order, Respondent admits the above conduct and acknowledges that it violates N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(a), 45:1-21(b), and 45:1-21(e), in that it constitutes dishonesty, fraud, misrepresentation or deception, and an attempt to obtain a medical license by fraud, deception, or misrepresentation, as well as professional misconduct, each of which subjects Respondent to disciplinary action by the Board of Medical Examiners.

It appearing that respondent has read and understood the terms of this Order, and consented to be bound by them, and it further appearing that the Board find this Order to be adequately protective of the public interest for good cause which has been shown,

IT IS therefore on this 14 day of February, 1990, ORDERED:

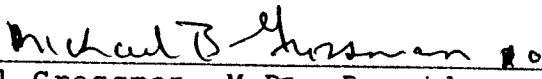
1. The license of Leonard Vernon, D.C., to practice chiropractic in New Jersey is suspended for 18 months beginning on the filing date of this order. Of that period, the 90 days beginning February 1, 1990 shall be an active suspension during which Leonard Vernon shall comply with the attached directive regarding licensees whose licenses have been suspended, and shall not practice chiropractic in any manner. The remainder of the 18-month suspension shall be stayed and serve as a term of probation, subject to being activated upon notice and hearing if respondent fails to comply with the terms of this order.

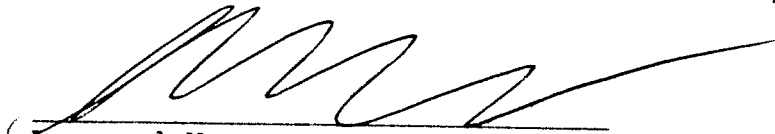
2. Respondent shall pay a civil penalty pursuant to


N.J.S.A. 45:1-25, in the amount of \$3,750, within 60 days of the filing of this Order, to the Board of Medical Examiners.

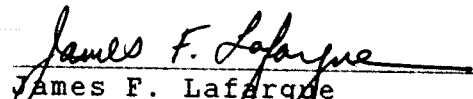
3. Respondent shall present a plan for 300 hours of community service of a non-chiropractic nature to this Board for its approval within 60 days of the filing of this Order. Respondent shall complete all 300 hours of such service prior to the end of the probationary period, 18 months from the filing of this Order.

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Leonard Vernon, D.C.
Respondent


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